**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**
**ABSTRACT**

Public Services - MA&UD Department – Tenali Municipality - Allegations of allowing unauthorized Constructions in Tenali Municipality against Sri K.Venakteswara Rao, the then TPO, Tenali Municipality - Departmental Proceedings initiated under Rule-20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 – Enquiry conducted – Penalty of "Withholding Two annual grade increments without cumulative effect" imposed – Orders – Issued.

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MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Vig.II) DEPARTMENT

**G.O.Rt.No.559** **Dated:31.08.2023.**

**Read the following:-**

1. From DTCP, AP, Lr.Roc.No.73/2019/M1, dt.29.01.2019.
2. G.O.Rt.No.362, MA& UD (VIG.II) Dept., dt.16.05.2019.
3. WSD of Sri K.Venakteswara Rao, the then TPO, Tenali Municipality, dt.09.12.2019.
4. G.O.Rt No.77, MA&UD(Vig.II) Dept., Dt.04.02.2020
5. G.O.Rt No.78, MA&UD(Vig.II) Dept., Dt.04.02.2020
6. Enquiry report received from Sri B.Sreenivasulu, Addl. Director of Town Planning & Inquiry Officer, Mangalagiri, dated 31.12.2021 through the Director of Town and Country Planning, AP, Mangalagiri, Letter NO.73/2019/M1, dated 31.01.2022.
7. Govt.Memo.No.1642202/Vig.II/2018/A2(E-581779), dt.24.08.2022.
8. Written representation of Sri K.Venakteswara Rao, the then TPO, Tenali Municipality, dt.11.11.2022.

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**O R D E R:**

In the reference 1st read above, the Director of Town & Country Planning, AP, Mangalagiri, among others, furnished articles of charges against Sri K.Venakteswara Rao, the then TPO, Tenali Municipality, on the allegations for allowing unauthorized Constructions in Tenali Municipality. Accordingly, charges have been issued vide GO in reference 2nd read above.

2. Whereas in the reference 3rd read above the charged officer submitted his written statement of defence duly denying the charges framed against him and requested to drop further action.

3. Having not convinced with the written statement of defence submitted by the charged officer, it has been decided to conduct regular inquiry and after following due procedure, orders were issued, in the reference 4th read above, appointing Sri B. Srinivasulu, Joint Director, O/o. DTCP, A.P. as an Inquiry Officer to inquire into the charges framed against the charged officer and in the reference 5th read above, Sri B. Vijaya Bhaskar, Assistant City Planner, Guntur Municipal Corporation, was appointed as Presenting Officer, to present the case before the Inquiry Officer on behalf of the Disciplinary Authority.

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4. In the reference 6th read above, the Inquiry Officer Sri B. Srinivasulu, Joint Director, O/o. DTCP, A.P has submitted his inquiry report. As per the Inquiry report, out of three (3) charges framed against the charged officer Sri K.Venakteswara Rao, the then TPO, Tenali Municipality; one charge (charge –I) is partly proved, one charge (Charge-II) held proved and remaining one (1) charge (Charge-III) is held not proved in the inquiry.

5. Government have examined the Inquiry Report in detail and in the reference 7th read above, a copy of Inquiry Report was communicated to the charged officer under Rule 21(2) of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991, with a direction to submit his written representations if any, on the findings of the Inquiry Officer.

6. In the references 8th read above, the charged officer Sri K.Venakteswara Rao, the then TPO, Tenali Municipality submitted his written explanation and among others, stated that there is no financial loss to ULB since said buildings are regularized under BPS. Hence, he requested to drop further action against him.

7. Government after careful examination of the matter and keeping in view of the findings of Inquiry Officer, it has been decided to impose a penalty of "withholding two annual grade increments without cumulative effect" against Sri K.Venakteswara Rao, the then TPO, Tenali Municipality, since the charged officer failed to take action on the deviations which led to violations in all setbacks and finally led to regularization under BPS. Mere regularization of buildings under BPS/BRS cannot absolve the charged officer from the charges.

8. Accordingly, Government hereby impose a penalty of "withholding two annual grade increments without cumulative effect" against Sri K.Venakteswara Rao, the then TPO, Tenali Municipality.

9. The Director of Town & Country Planning, A.P., Mangalagiri, shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

10. The receipt of the G.O., shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**Y. SRILAKSHMI**
**SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To
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**SECTION OFFICER.**